

clearly state the reasons for the objection, and shall certify that a copy of the letter of objection has been served on all parties named in the petition. The Board may initiate an investigation of the petition on its own motion.

(3) *Uncontested petitions.* If a petition is not contested, and if the Board does not initiate an investigation of the petition on its own motion, approval is deemed granted without further action by the Board, effective 45 days after Board receipt of the petition.

(4) *Contested petitions.* If a petition is contested or the Board initiates an investigation of the petition on its own motion, 15 days will be allowed for reply. The 15-day period will commence on the date of service of the objections or, if the Board initiates an investigation on its own motion, on the date of service of the decision initiating the investigation. After the period for reply has expired, the Board will issue a decision approving or disapproving the petition, or requesting further submissions from the parties, and then will issue a decision based on the further submissions.

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PART 1132—PROTESTS REQUESTING SUSPENSION AND INVESTIGATION OF COLLECTIVE RATE-MAKING ACTIONS

Sec.

1132.1 Protests against collective ratemaking actions.

1132.2 Procedures in certain suspension matters.

AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 721, 13301(f), and 13703.

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§ 1132.1 Protests against collective ratemaking actions.

(a) *Content.* The protested collective ratemaking action sought to be suspended, whether or not contained in a tariff filed with the Board, should be identified by making reference to: The name of the publishing carrier or collective ratemaking organization; the identification of the tariff, if applica-

ble, or the identification of the collective ratemaking action publication if it is not contained in a tariff filed with the Board; the specific items or particular provisions protested; and the effective date of the tariff or other collective ratemaking action publication. Reference should also be made to the tariff or collective ratemaking action, and the specific provisions proposed to be superseded. The protest should state the grounds in support thereof, and indicate in what respect the protested collective ratemaking action is considered to be unlawful. Such protests will be considered as addressed to the discretion of the Board. Should a protestant desire to proceed further against a collective ratemaking action which is not suspended, or which has been suspended and the suspension vacated, a separate later formal complaint or petition should be filed.

(b) *When filed.* Protests against, and requests for suspension of, collective ratemaking actions will not be considered unless made in writing and filed with the Board at Washington, DC. If the protestant desires action by the Board before the effective date of the collective action, protests and requests for suspension shall reach the Board at least 12 days (except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section) before such effective date. If the protested collective ratemaking action is already in effect, or if the protestant does not desire action before its effective date, protests and requests for suspension can be filed at any time.

(c) *Motor carrier tariff bureau filings.* When motor common carrier tariff bureaus take collective actions subject to the special procedures adopted in Ex Parte No. MC-82, *New Procedures in Motor Carrier Rev. Proc.* 340 I.C.C. 1 (1971), and set forth at 49 CFR part 1139, protests must reach the Board at least 22 days before the effective dates of those actions if protestants desire action by the Board before such effective dates. All statements should be served by express mail or an equivalent expedited delivery service upon any party undertaking to bear the cost. Written request for this expedited service must be made no less than 5 days before the statement is due to be filed with the Board.

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(d) *Copies; service.* In connection with proceedings involving proposals subject to the special procedures in Ex Parte No. MC-82, *New Procedures in Motor Carrier Rev. Proc.* 339 I.C.C. 324, and set forth at 49 CFR part 1139, an original and 10 copies of every protest or reply filed under this section should be furnished for the use of the Board. Except as provided for proposals subject to the special procedures in Ex Parte No. MC-82, the original and 10 copies of each protest, or of each reply filed under this section, must be filed with the Board, and one copy simultaneously must be served upon the publishing carrier or collective ratemaking organization, and upon other persons known by protestant to be interested. These pleadings should be directed to the attention of the Secretary, Surface Transportation Board.

(e) *Reply to protest.* A reply to a protest filed at least 12 days before the effective date of proposed collective action provisions must reach the Board not later than the fourth working day prior to the scheduled effective date of the protested provisions unless otherwise provided. Replies to protests against motor carrier rate bureau proposals subject to Ex Parte No. MC-82 procedures, to be assured of consideration, must reach the Board no later than 14 days before the scheduled effective date of the protested provisions.

§ 1132.2 Procedures in certain suspension matters.

(a) A petition for reconsideration may be filed by any interested person within 20 days after the date of service of a Board decision which results in an order for:

(1) Investigation and suspension of collective ratemaking actions, or

(2) Investigation (without suspension) of collective ratemaking actions.

(b) Any interested person may file and serve a reply to any petition for reconsideration permitted under paragraph (a) of this section within 20 days after the filing of such petition with the Board, but if the facts stated in any such petition disclose a need for accelerated action, such action may be taken before expiration of the time allowed for reply. In all other respects, such petitions and replies thereto will

be governed by the rules of general applicability of the Rules of Practice.

PART 1133—RECOVERY OF DAMAGES

Sec.

1133.1 Freight bill filing requirement under modified procedure.

1133.2 Statement of claimed damages based on Board findings.

AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 721.

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§ 1133.1 Freight bill filing requirement under modified procedure.

If, under modified procedure (for general rules governing modified procedure, see part 1112), an award of damages is sought, complainant should submit the paid freight bills or properly certified copies with its statement when there are not more than 10 shipments; if more than 10 shipments are involved, complainant should retain the documents.

§ 1133.2 Statement of claimed damages based on Board findings.

(a) When the Board finds that damages are due, but that the amount cannot be ascertained upon the record before it, the complainant should immediately prepare a statement showing details of the shipments on which damages are claimed, in accordance with the following form:

Claim of _____ under decision of the Surface Transportation Board in Docket No. _____.

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_____. Date of shipment.
_____. Date of delivery or tender of delivery.
_____. Date charges were paid.
_____. Car (or vessel) initials.
_____. Car (or voyage) number.
_____. Origin.
_____. Destination.
_____. Route.
_____. Commodity.
_____. Weight.
_____. Rate.
_____. Amount.
_____. Rate.
_____. Amount.
_____. Reparation on basis of Board's decision.